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NOTICE

1. Security. When oral arguments are scheduled, admittance to the courtrooms of the Nebraska Supreme Court and Nebraska Court of Appeals is permitted only upon compliance with security requirements. Before entering the courtrooms you will be required to walk through a metal detecting device. Personal items, such as brief cases and purses, will be inspected by security personnel on duty. Therefore, it would be helpful not to bring unnecessary materials to oral arguments.

2. Entering and exiting the courtroom. Entering and exiting the courtroom is limited to the following time periods:

- a. before and after the court session.
- b. when a recess is taken by the court.
- c. between cases when attorneys are changing places.

3. Restrictions.

- a. Under no circumstances are food or drinks to be taken into the courtroom. Hats and caps shall be removed.
- b. Except for assigned oral arguments, silence shall be maintained at all times during the court session.
- c. No photographs or recordings of court proceedings are allowed except as provided by Supreme Court Rule 17.
- d. All cellular telephones and pagers shall be turned off.

4. Lawyer's room. The lawyer's room is located near the entrance of the courtrooms. Security personnel will be happy to assist you in locating the room.

5. Display equipment. A document stand camera and 50" plasma TV are now available in the courtroom for use in displaying exhibits or other documents during oral argument. If you wish to utilize this equipment, please advise the bailiff prior to the start of the court session. Instructions regarding the use of this equipment are available on our web site at

<http://supremecourt.ne.gov/sites/supremecourt.ne.gov/files/misc/appellate-court/av-instructional-sheet.pdf>. If you require additional information, please contact the Clerk's Office at 2413 State Capitol, 402-471-3731.

6. Restrooms. A restroom is located outside the lawyer's room. A women's restroom is located at the end of the hallway to the west of the courtrooms. A men's restroom is located down the west hallway and around the corner.

7. Nebraska Supreme Court Policy for Audio Files Available over the internet.

a. Notice to Attorneys:

Beginning September 1, 2008, the Nebraska Supreme Court and Court of Appeals will make digital audio files of appellate court proceedings available to the public over the Internet through the Judicial Branch Web site, www.supremecourt.ne.gov. Audio files of all appellate court proceedings held in the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals court rooms will be uploaded to the Web site, unless otherwise specified by the Court. Starting January 2009, all oral arguments of the Nebraska Supreme Court and Court of Appeals will be televised live from the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals courtrooms.

b. Limiting Personal Information:

If otherwise confidential information is stated on the record in open court, it will become publicly available through the audio files and live televising of the arguments of the Court. Since counsel and the parties are solely responsible for guaranteeing that confidential information be protected, the better practice is to avoid stating confidential or sensitive information during the audio recording and live televising of oral argument. Also, counsel and the parties are advised that audio files cannot be edited before they are uploaded to the Web site.

If confidential information is divulged during oral argument, counsel or the parties may move the Court to seal, restrict, or otherwise prohibit placement of the audio file on the Web site.

c. Privacy Rules:

Nebraska court rules protect certain personal and financial information from public disclosure at the trial court level. See Neb. Ct. R. of Dist. Cts. 21 and Neb. Ct. R. of Cty. Cts. 64. Both rules are available in the "Trial Court Rules" section of www.supremecourt.ne.gov under Uniform District Court Rules and County Court General Rules. If such protected information is divulged during oral argument before the Supreme Court or Court of Appeals, it will become available to the public through the placing of audio files on the Internet or through the live televising of oral arguments.